

# STATE OF ARKANSAS SOCIAL WORK LICENSING BOARD

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#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

October 13, 2008

The Social Work Licensing Board met Monday, October 13, 2008, in Room 200 of the Attorney General's Offices at 323 Center Street, Little Rock, Arkansas. Chairperson Sandra Taylor called the meeting to order.

**Board Members Present:** 

Sandra Taylor

Melanie Sletten

Betty Rhodes

Dr. Steven Domon

Kaylynn Barrett

Nancy Streit

Tealisa Allen

Mae Isom

**Board Members Absent:** 

Kelley Williams

# **Approval of Minutes:**

Melanie Sletten made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2008 board meeting. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

#### Approval of Hearing Minutes:

Melanie Sletten made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2008 hearing for Erin DeGostin. Nancy Streit seconded the motion, which carried.

#### OLD BUSINESS:

#### Update on Complaint No. 2008-13:

Dr. Steven Domon reported that the investigation into Complaint No. 2008-13 would be continued.

#### Update on Complaint No. 2008-14:

Kaylynn Barrett reported that the investigation into Complaint No. 2008-14 would be continued.

#### Update on Complaint No. 2008-20:

Dr. Steven Domon reported that the investigation into Complaint No. 2008-20 would be continued.

# Update on Complaint No. 2008-22:

Kaylynn Barrett reported that the investigation into Complaint #2008-22 would be continued.

Social Work Licensing Board Review Date: November 17, 2008 Motion made by: 2<sup>nd</sup> by:

Board Chairman:

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## Update on Complaint No. 2009-01:

Melanie Sletten gave her report on investigation Complaint #2009-01. Based on the information presented, Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to issue a cease and desist letter. Nancy Streit seconded the motion, which carried.

# Update on Complaint No. 2009-02:

The Executive Director presented the report from Kelley Williams on investigation #2009-02. Based on the information presented, Tealisa Allen made a motion to dismiss the complaint. Kaylynn Barrett seconded the motion, which carried.

#### Update on Complaint No. 2009-03:

Nancy Streit reported that the investigation into Complaint #2009-03 would be continued.

#### Update on Complaint No. 2009-04:

Kelley Williams reported that the investigation into Complaint #2009-04 would be continued.

# Update on Complaint No. 2009-05:

Sandra Taylor reported that the investigation into Complaint #2009-05 would be continued.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Kaylynn Barrett Volunteered to Investigate New Complaint No. 2009-06.

Melanie Sletten Volunteered to Investigate New Complaint No. 2009-07.

# Review Request from Kristina Thompson:

Ms. Thompson had written the board asking for a special consideration to be able to practice again without taking another test. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to deny Ms. Thompson's request. Mae Isom seconded the motion, which carried.

#### Review Possible Changes to the Law:

Kaylynn Barrett updated the Board regarding the progress on possible changes to be made to the Law. Research is continuing.

#### **Review Request from Tiffany Fontenot:**

Ms. Fontenot had written the board regarding regarding her continuing education requirements and being out of the country. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to grant Ms. Fontenot an additional 90 days to obtain her required continuing education hours. Melanie Sletten seconded the motion, which carried.

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# Review Request from Vincent Provenzano:

Mr. Provenzano had written the board with a question regarding scope of practice for Licensed Social Workers. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to write Mr. Provenzano and inform him that Social Workers cannot write physician orders. Nancy Streit seconded the motion, which carried.

# **Review DeGostin Supervision Plan:**

Erin DeGostin submitted her supervision plan, as requested by the board, for approval of the LCSW supervisor. Betty Rhodes made a motion to approve DeLana Keeler as supervisor. Mae Isom seconded the motion, which carried.

# Review Request form Rachel Troup-Roderick:

Ms. Troup-Roderick had written the board asking permission to surrender her license. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion accept the surrender of Ms. Troup Roderick's license. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

# **Assign Newsletter Articles:**

Board members were given topics on which to write a newsletter article.

# **Review Social Work Continuing Education Qualifications:**

Kelley Williams requested the board discuss several course and how they may or may not apply as social work continuing education (SWCE). Board members were given a list of previous denials and examples of unacceptable SWCE and will review the information for discussion at the next board meeting.

# **Board Reviewed First Quarter FY09 Financial Report:**

The board reviewed the first quarter FY09 Financial Report. Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to accept the budget report as presented. Melanie Sletten seconded the motion, which carried.

#### Board Approved Waiver Request No. 51:

The Board reviewed a social worker's request for a waiver of the requirements of A.C.A. (17-103-307(f), the law that requires criminal history checks for social workers. Melanie Sletten made a motion to grant the social worker's request since she met the requirements for a waiver according to A.C.A. 17-103-307(h). Mae Isom seconded the motion, which carried.

# Review Question from Michael W. Lundy, LCSW:

Michael W. Lundy, LCSW had written the board asking for a written opinion on the legality, within scope of practice, of a social worker filling a pill counter. (A dosing container holding a weeks dosing supply of medication.) After much discussion, Nancy Streit made a motion to notify Mr. Lundy

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that the answer is no, social workers should not fill pill containers for clients. Tealisa Allen seconded the motion, which carried.

# Review Question from Sandra Pate, LCSW:

Sandra Pate, LCSW had written the board asking if material relating to an academic book she is writing can be used for Social Work Continuing Education. She has completed 10 out of 12 chapters. After much discussion, Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to notify Ms. Pate that she may be allowed to count up to 10 hours of social work continuing education (SWCE) after her book has been published. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

# Refund Report:

No refunds have been issued since the last Board meeting.

# **Action Taken on Applications:**

Kaylynn Barrett made a motion to approve the action taken on the applications for licensure.

#### LSW Applications:

#### Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Lauren Mikhail King

Meagan Elisabeth McCall

Enrique Rodriguez-Murillo

LaToyia Rochelle Thomas

Approved to take the Exam:

Tonya Lynn Ento

Tina Colleen Greene

Vicky Sanders-Harris

#### LMSW Applications:

#### Provisionally Licensed and Approved to take Examination:

Amanda Jane Bennett

Adam C. Sweeney

Alana Nicole Linn

Rachel Long Reedy

Approved to take the Exam:

Sara J. Creecy

Kendra Tenice Gentry

Susan Robinson

Kristina Thompson

# Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Ninet Campbell

Van Michelle Morris

Sandra Gaye Porter

# **LCSW Applications:**

#### Approved to take Examination:

Shawnna Lynn Allbritton

Amy Rochelle Aukes

Stephen J Binz

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Brandy Renise Brice Bobbie Brooks Leslie Eline Caldwell Arthur Wayne Chupik Angela Rae Cox Benjamin L. Cravens Gloria Martin Cunningham Marshia J Edmunson Rania Abdin Forster Sandra Parker Giddens Reba M. Graupner Lauren Hargis Jackie Suzanne Keisker Lindsey Nicole Heston Christina Hughes Jessica Yarbrough Minton Lisa Denise Kilcrease Jessica L. McLeod Veronica M Pighee Kimberly Hughes Rickels Scotty Wayne Russell Morgan Catlin Schroeder Sharon R Ware Shunita Simone Young

## Approved for Licensure through Reciprocity:

Janet Ann Potts Frances M Theos Geraldine Turner Warren
Diane B Wilson

Melanie Sletten seconded the motion, which carried.

#### **Action Taken on Renewal Applications:**

The Board reviewed 85 applications for license renewal. Melanie Sletten made a motion to approve 79 of the applications. Six of the renewal applications were tabled pending clarification or additional continuing education hours. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

# **Action Taken on Continuing Education Audits:**

The Board reviewed 15 continuing education audits. Dr. Steven Domon made a motion to approve all 15 of the audits. Nancy Streit seconded the motion, which carried.

#### **Action Taken on Supervision Plans for Audit:**

The Board reviewed 16 Supervision Plans for audit. Melanie Sletten made a motion to approve all 16 of the audits. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.

#### Other Business:

Kaylynn Barrett made the motion to adjourn. Betty Rhodes seconded the motion, which carried.